August 4, 2005

Dear Task Force Member:

I am writing to invite you and your colleagues on the Interagency Energy Management Task Force to participate as observers in the Federal Energy Management Program's (FEMP) first Peer Review on September 20 – 21, 2003, in Washington, DC. The purpose of the review is to conduct an independent assessment of 90 percent of the program's budget. In addition to the task force, FEMP is also inviting members of the Federal Energy Management Advisory Committee to attend the review.

The Peer Review will be chaired by Paul DeCotis, Director of Energy Analysis for the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. Paul has assembled a distinguished panel of 12 individuals from across the U.S. who have demonstrated experience in energy policy, technology deployment, utilities, financing, program design and management, evaluation and metrics, training and technical assistance, and marketing and communications. Five panels have been established and include:

- General Overview (September 20)
- Financing (September 20 and 21)
- Technical Assistance (September 20 and 21)
- Intergovernmental (September 20 and 21)
- Departmental Energy Management Program (September 21)

Further details will be provided in late August or early September.

I encourage you to attend all or part of the review as this will be an excellent opportunity to learn the details about FEMP's FY 2006 program plans and network with the FEMP staff and our laboratory personnel and contractors. In addition, we anticipate a lively exchange of questions and answers as well as some innovative ideas from our panel members.

Please let me know if you or someone from your staff plan to attend to September 6. I look forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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